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SUBJECT: FRENCH INVITATION TO PREPCON

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1. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CONVEY FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO APPROPRIATE HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

2. US RECEIVED ON MARCH 1 INVITATION FROM FRENCH GOVERNMENT TO ATTEND PREPARATORY MEETING IN PARIS BEGINNING APRIL 7. WE UNDERSTAND THAT INVITATIONS HAVE ALSO BEEN SENT TO ALGERIA, SAUDIA ARABIA, IRAN,VENEZUELA, BRAZIL, ZAIRE, INDIA, JAPAN, AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY.

3. FRENCH GOVERNMENT INFORMED US IN ADVANCE THAT IT INTENDED TO ISSUE INVITATIONS THIS WEEK IN ORDER THAT OPE GOVERNMENTS WOULD HAVE THEM BEFORE SUMMIT MEETING NEXT WEEK. WE REPLIED THAT WE DID NOT CONSIDER THAT CONDITION SPECIFIED IN THE MARTINIQUE AGREEMENT AND THE DECEMBER

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4. WE HOPE THAT SUBSTANTIAL AGREEMENT ON CONSUMER

COOPERATION ON ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT CAN BE MADE AT
MARCH 6-7 IEA MEETING. BUT, IN VIEW OF DECEMBER 19-20
GOVERNING BOARD DECISION, WE INTEND NOT TO RESPOND TO
THE INVITATION UNTIL WE AND THE GOVERNING BOARD ARE
SATISFIED THAT INITIATIVES ARE FULFILLED. WE WOULD
HOPE BRITIAN AND GERMANY WILL TAKE SAME APPROACH.

5. WE INTEND TO AVOID A CONTENTIOUS EXCHANGE ON THIS
AND WILL MAKE AN EFFORT TO KEEP THE ISSUE OUT OF THE
PRESS IF AT ALL POSSIBLE. INGERSOLL

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